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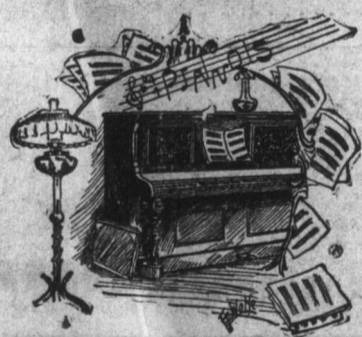
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The Evening Chit-Chat

By RUTH CAMERON



I received a letter the other day from a man in which he vigorously berated the inconsistency, the extravagance and the general frothiness of the woman of to-day.

Not the first letter of the kind I've received means. When one writes for the newspapers one thereby becomes the repository of the grouches of all the people who have the habit of getting excited because "the something or other of to-day" aren't what they used to be, and of course "the women of to-day" are a favorite theme with the male members of this cult.

Now, listen, my friends. Do you really want to know whom to blame for a good deal of what the women of to-day are or are not?

No, I know you don't. But I'm going to tell you just the same.

You—the men of to-day are.

It's a truth as old as Adam and Eve that women are what they are because men want them to be, love them to be, choose them for it.

In a recent number of Life there is a most clever little satire on this new subject.

The new husband is getting his first batch of his wife's bills. Presumably the tressouer has begun to wear out and she is replenishing her wardrobe.

He is staggered at the batch of bill-let dous that results and comes to her to protest.

Whereupon his wife, instead of promising to do better astonishes him by coming back with

"And yet that is what you married me for."

"Married you for?"

"That is what I said. You married me because I looked pretty—fretting—and how can a woman look that way unless she spends money on her clothes. If I had been a calm, severe, business-like person, carefully considering only the usefulness of what I bought, you wouldn't have given me a second thought—except possibly to stick up your manly nose at me."

He finally grants that there may be something in this, but urges that she keeps within his income in her efforts to charm him, and this time she staggers him with—

"Nonsense! you love me for my very extravagance. If I stopped to consider every consequence, you would soon get tired of me. You might hang on a little longer, but when you get to middle age you would do what all middle aged men with circumspect wives do—you would cast sheep's eyes at the end ladies of the chorus—why? Because they, my dear boy, are reckless, are 'exaggerant,' and never proceed to do anything by parliamentary rules."

There ought to have been another paragraph on consistency. Men at ways delight to reproach women for inconsistency, and yet show me the man who would enjoy a really consistent woman.

You can't not even if you hunted for him with a twenty-horsepower searchlight substitute for Diggens' lantern.

Carolyn Wells has a little poem which he calls "Unanswerable Questions."

After propounding some half dozen unanswerable queries as to why the fair sex do this or that silly thing he winds up with—

"Why doth she dance us round in glee
Like puppets tied to strings?
And yet, in secret, why do we
Love her for just these things?"

I wish all men were as honest as Mr. Wells.

Ruth Cameron

No Man is Stronger Than His Stomach

A strong man is strong all over. No man can be strong who is suffering from weak stomach with its consequent indigestion, or from some other disease of the stomach and its associated organs, which impairs digestion and nutrition. For when the stomach is weak or diseased there is a loss of the nutrition contained in food, which is the source of all physical strength. When a man "doesn't feel just right," when he doesn't sleep well, has an uncomfortable feeling in the stomach after eating, is languid, nervous, irritable and despondent, he is losing the nutrition needed to make strength.

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Fads and Fashions.

Plaited effects are always attractive in dresses for girls, inasmuch as they afford the long straight lines that are so becoming to the average child.

Mourning veils for draping on the hat and in the back are very wide mesh net and finished with a wide and one or two narrow bandings of ribbon.

Almost every hat one sees nowadays has a touch of fur somewhere about it. Fur, velvet and tullestry to an extremely fashionable combination.

Widows still wear the double veils, but more often veils are single and seldom measure over a yard by three quarters and quite frequently they are smaller.

Evening wraps are very lovely made of beaded lace or net laid over lustrous satins. They often have a deep hem of the satin and a large collar as well.

The day when the debutante was strictly gowned in pure white is past. The new wild-rose frocks for young girls threaten to take the pure-white frocks place.

Ribbon hair ornaments in becoming bow shapes, and also in flat rosette effects, called this season "boutonniers," are greatly liked by both young girls and youthful matrons.

To dress the hair in the new bob-

The newest thing in over-blouses, or jumpers, is of chiffon embroidered in beads of mingled bright colors, a somewhat barbaric color scheme, but very effective in small quantity.

Hosiery always matches the slippers, and many beautiful silk stockings are shown having elaborately wrought drawn-work decorations, or else daintily embroidered floral designs.

Dull jet or enamel jewelry is invariably worn for deep mourning. Brooches, belt buckles and long neck chains for lozette or watch are about all that is really necessary.

The butterfly is the dominant novelty in this season's fashions. It is seen ornamenting stunning evening gowns, perched airily on charming collars, resting lazily on hats of velvet and fur.

Bowl-shaped turbans, hand-crocheted, are being shown at some of the best shops. They are made quite deep, fitting far down over the head, and a turned-back brim is usually of a contrasting color.

The woman with high color rejoices in black millinery this season. The poinsettia is used again for setting off the black hat, though this season a single white poinsettia is smarter than the reds.

Classic bands have been worn in the hair all summer and fall, but these were comparatively simple affairs compared to the new jeweled band which is positively the very latest thing from Paris.

My Lungs "I have coughed and coughed until my lungs are sore and weak." Go at once to your doctor. Do not delay another hour. Ask him all about Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Then take it or not, as he says. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.

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ble style one must part it in the middle, then drape it back from the face in some soft way, and finally bunch it the back, in a big mass around which is twisted a coil of hair or a band of ribbon.

There is a marked preference for the high, buttoned boot, with its Cuban heel, which is shown in calf-skin and suede and also in velvet, for the tendency of Fashion to make much of rich fabrics has extended even to the world of footwear.

The upper part of all dressy costumes is very transparent, revealing the arms and the shoulders to the bust. As a rule these are elaborately trimmed, jeweled trimmings, spangles, gold and silver laces, metal embroideries and heavy jet ornaments being employed.

The furs that can be worn everyday; not only with warmth, but with sartorial propriety, are pony skin, mole-skin, opossum, sealskin, dyed otter and dyed musk rat. These may be all bordered with skunk or black fox. The latter is also a fur that one can wear in the mornings, and lynx is another.

One rarely sees the old-fashioned, modestly cut round or square neck in the really up-to-date evening gowns. The favourite style is a V shaped décolletage, the point of the V not finishing until it reaches the waist. This gives a broad expanse of uncovered back that a few seasons ago would have been considered shocking.

Lisbon Has a Big Sensation.

Lisbon, Dec. 26.—Former Premier J. Luciano De Castro, twelve former governors and directors of the Portuguese Credit Foncier Bank, all of them ex-Cabinet Ministers, and the chief accountant, treasurer and cashier of the bank, were arrested to-day on a charge of using illegal methods in connection with the administration of the institution. All of them were released on bail. Castro, who is a paralytic, was unable to appear before the Magistrate, and his bail was fixed at \$2,000,000. This was furnished by four capitalist friends.

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It is quite a daily occurrence to hear persons say: "Oh, what a feeling of distress I have after meals, fullness of the stomach, heaviness and headache, I feel too tired to do anything, I have no heart to exert myself and at times I care for nothing. I often have a pain in the pit of my stomach, no appetite, my heart beats rapidly on the slightest exertion. I feel just as tired when rising in the morning as when retiring to bed. My sleep is often disturbed, and I often awake with a sense of suffocation and a difficulty of again going to sleep. I have to be careful of what I eat, and my life seems a veritable burden.

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Kirby Stephen, England, Dec. 24.—Eight persons were killed and twenty-five others injured in the wreck of the Scotch Express near Hawes Junction to-day. The express collided with a pilot engine and was derailed. Fire broke out in the wreckage and destroyed the coaches.

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